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Honorable Valerie E. Caproni United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: United States v. Ciminelli, S2 16 Cr. 776 (VEC)

Dear Judge Caproni:

At the close of the government's evidence, the Court reserved decision on Mr. Ciminelli's motion for a judgment of acquittal under Fed. Rule Crim. Pro. 29. We now renew our motion for the reasons stated at the time. See Tr. 2015-2022; 2123-24.

Respectfully submitted,

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